

## ANOTHER BLOW FOR COOK.

Danes Unable to Find Anything in Explorer's Notes to Justify His Claim.

Copenhagen, Jan. 19.—The committee of the University of Copenhagen has completed its examination of Dr. Frederick A. Cook's original notes, and today confirmed its previous conclusions that not the slightest proof that the explorer reached the North Pole had been submitted. The report was submitted to the consistory of the University today. The committee finds that the copy of Cook's data upon which its previous decision was based conforms in the main to the original note book now in its possession. The latter, the examiners say, contains various alterations, but there is nothing to show whether the changes were made with the purpose of deceiving.

## MISSIONARY POLICY.

Resolutions Adopted by the Laymen's Meeting.

Columbia, Jan. 20.—Resolutions proposed by the executive committee and adopted last night.

"1. That we recognize it to be the present urgent duty of the church of Christ to undertake to preach the Gospel to every creature in the world.

"2. That we rejoice that the laymen of the churches are rising up in large numbers, to cooperate with their pastors and missionary boards in the attempt to evangelize the world in this generation.

"3. That we unite our efforts and prayers in a persistent attempt to enlist the Christian men of South Carolina in undertaking their full proportion of world-responsibility.

"4. That we earnestly recommend the appointment in every congregation of a strong missionary committee, which shall conduct a campaign of education on the subject of missions, and shall also organize and conduct a personal canvass of every member of the congregation, to the end that some worthy systematic contribution to the cause of world-evangelization be made by every one.

"5. That we strongly urge the adoption of the weekly system of missionary offerings, as the most Scriptural, fair, economical and productive method, believing that when properly introduced and worked, it secures the largest possible educational, financial and spiritual results.

"6. That we recommend that all churches in this State that have not already reached a higher standard, aim to increase their systematic offerings to the extension of the kingdom of Christ in the non-Christian world, until they shall be brought up to at least 25 per cent. of the church's total offerings, for all purposes, including congregational expenses.

"7. That the Columbia churches undertake to follow this convention immediately by a thoroughly organized canvass by the missionary committee of each church, to the end that every church member may be enlisted as a systematic contributor to missions, and that the total offerings of Columbia churches to work abroad may be increased from \$5,365, reported last year, to at least \$12,000 for the coming 12 months, and that a public meeting of the men of Columbia be held on Sunday afternoon, January 30, to hear the reports of the results accomplished. After the \$12,000 standard has been reached, it is recommended that the churches of Columbia continue to increase their missionary offerings in harmony with the proportion indicated in resolution 6.

"8. That we recommend the organization in every city, town and community in the State of a cooperating committee of the Laymen's Missionary movement which shall keep in touch with the methods of the general movement and cooperate with all individual congregations in reaching and maintaining their highest missionary efficiency."

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The grand council of the three divisions of Masons in South Carolina will be held in Greenville February 8-9.

## A Wild Blizzard Raging.

brings danger, suffering—often death—to thousands, who take colds, coughs and lagrippe—that terror of Winter and Spring. Its danger signals are "stuffed up" nostrils, lower part of nose sore, chills and fever, pain in the back of head, and a throat-grinding cough. When Grip attacks, as you value your life, don't delay getting Dr. King's New Discovery. "One bottle cured me," writes A. L. Dunn, of Pine Valley, Miss., "after being 'laid up' three weeks with grip." For sore lungs, hemorrhages, coughs, colds, whooping cough, bronchitis, asthma, it's supreme. 50c, \$1. Guaranteed by Sibert's Drug Store.

## PALACE OF CHERIGAN BURNS.

House Where Turkish Parliament Meets Destroyed by Fire—Loss is Well Into Millions.

Constantinople, Jan. 19.—The palace of Cherigan, where the Turkish parliament meets, was entirely destroyed by fire today. The loss is great, as the building alone cost about \$16,000,000. The fire originated between the private apartment reserved for the sultan and the chamber of deputies and is believed to have been due to defective heating apparatus, although there have been reports current that reactionary gamblers were responsible for it.

The fire started shortly before noon and a strong wind fanned the flames, which spread with great rapidity. Little furniture and very few of the important documents were saved. Practically all of the archives of the department of deputies, including 60 bills and the budget estimates, were burned. As a consequence the business of parliament will be seriously interrupted.

What few effects were saved were taken from the palace by sailors stationed at the legations, principally the Russians and Americans, who were first to arrive on the scene. Orientals regard the fire as an evil omen.

## CLARENDON COUNTY FAIR.

Manning Board of Trade Inaugurates Movement and Begins Organization of Company.

Manning, Jan. 21.—Some weeks ago the Manning board of trade appointed a committee to investigate and report on the advisability of holding a county fair at Manning some time during the fall of 1910. The committee consisted of C. R. Sprott, F. P. Ervin and W. E. Jenkinson, all prominent citizens. They went to work at once corresponding with fair associations in other counties, and seeking information from all available sources. At the call of this committee a meeting of business and professional men was held in the town hall today. The committee made a favorable and enthusiastic report, and the meeting resolved unanimously that the organization of a county fair association should be undertaken at once. The special committee was continued and instructed to apply to the secretary of state for a charter, and as an evidence of good faith subscriptions to a large portion of the necessary capital stock were pledged on the spot.

The Manning board of trade has already done good work along special lines, such as, fostering the tobacco raising industry in Clarendon county and offering prizes for the encouragement of the boys' corn clubs. It is safe to predict that they will see to it that the Clarendon county fair is also made a success.

## NEW RAIL LINE TO CHARLESTON

Road Direct From Charleston to Gulf Projected.

Cordale, Ga., Jan. 20.—Eastern and Georgia capitalists today completed the organization of the Georgia, Southwestern and Gulf Railway, which will extend from this place to St. Andrew's Bay, Fla., with a view of handling the freight from steamers touching the Florida West Coast from points beyond the Isthmus of Panama direct through the interior to the Atlantic seaport.

The company proposes to take over the Albany Northern Road which extends from this place to Albany and to build a line of road from Albany to the Gulf.

It is also proposed to build a line from here to Hawkinsville. This will give a direct line to Charleston, S. C. A loan of \$4,000,000. It is said, has been negotiated in France with which to build and equip this line. Five hundred thousand dollars of the loan is now in New York banks subject to immediate use. Work is expected to begin.

"Foley's Kidney Remedy will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. It invigorates the entire system and strengthens the kidneys so they eliminate the impurities from the blood. Backache, rheumatism, kidney and bladder troubles are all cured by this great medicine. Commence taking at once and avoid Bright's Disease and Diabetes. Sibert's Drug Store.

The Camden Water, Light & Ice Company has transferred its stock and equipment to T. J. Kirkland.

## Saved at Death's Door.

"The door of death seemed ready to open for Murray W. Ayers, of Transit Bridge, N. Y., when his life was wonderfully saved. "I was in a dreadful condition," he writes, "my skin was almost yellow; eyes sunken; tongue coated; emaciated from losing 40 pounds, growing weaker daily. Virulent liver trouble pulling me down to death in spite of doctors. Then that matchless medicine—Electric Bitters—cured me. I regained the 40 pounds lost and now am well and strong." For all stomach, liver and kidney troubles they're supreme. 50c at Sibert's Drug Store.

## RHODE ISLAND REFUSES BONDS.

House of Representatives Concur in Senate's Rejection of Proffered North Carolina Bonds.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 20.—The State of Rhode Island was saved from litigation with the State of North Carolina today when the house of representatives concurred with the senate and voted to reject a gift of \$500,000 of North Carolina bonds. An act requiring the acceptance of all gifts and their collection by legal proceedings was amended so that the governor is given discretionary powers.

The bonds in question will be returned to the donors, the North Carolina bondholders' committee of New York.

## NEGROES DEMAND EQUALITY.

Colored Cuban Congressmen Protest Against Treatment at Hotel.

Havana, Jan. 20.—Practically all the negro members of Congress, followed by a large crowd of colored politicians, visited President Gomez at the palace this evening, and presented a petition demanding that the President take cognizance of the action of the management of the Plaza Hotel at which a negro demonstration took place recently after the refusal of the clerk to permit two negro congressmen to be served with liquor and of the continued discrimination against negroes requesting lodging and entertainment. The delegation informed the President that this was the first step on the part of the negro element of the whole island in a vigorous campaign to secure all the rights to which the race is entitled by virtue of its numbers and its eminent services in behalf of the Republic.

The President told the delegation that he would do all in his constitutional powers to remove the cause of irritation and secure to all citizens, irrespective of color, the full enjoyment of equal rights.

An extra police guard was tonight stationed in front of the hotel.

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Mayor Gaynor promises to be one of the most interesting and original chief magistrates New York city has had since its Dutch Governors.—Philadelphia Record.

Rev. I. W. Williams Testifies.  
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It is already announced that a big River and Harbor bill will be introduced in congress this winter. The statesmen seem bound to have their pork.—New York Mail.

## Pneumonia Follows a Cold.

"but never follows the use of Foley's Honey and Tar, which stops the cough, heals the lungs and expels the cold from your system. Take at first sign of a cold and avoid a dangerous illness. Sibert's Drug Store.

The citizens of St. Matthews are at work soliciting subscriptions to the capital stock of a cotton mill.

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## CITY COUNCIL.

Special Session Held to Consider Contract for Erection of New City Building.

Council held a special session at 8 o'clock p. m., at the Mayor's office, to consider a contract with Mr. D. B. Barnett for the erection of a fire department building.

Present: Mayor W. C. Ermentrout, H. B. Barnett, G. Stubbs and R. I. Lee. Absent: Aldermen R. E. C. Haynsworth and J. C. Lee.

The specifications were read, accepted and Clerk were authorized to execute the contract for the erection of the new fire department building. The specifications were read, accepted and Clerk were authorized to execute the contract for the erection of the new fire department building.

Major Lee stated that Mr. J. D. McGhee, paving contractor, desired to give personal bond under his contract with the city, instead of a surety bond. On motion of Mr. Wright the request of Mr. McGhee was granted, provided his sureties be acceptable to Council.

The meeting then adjourned.

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## TAX RETURNS FOR 1910.

OFFICE OF COUNTY AUDITOR SUMTER CO., SUMTER, S. C., Dec. 3, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that I will attend, in person or by deputy, at the following places on the days indicated, respectively, for the purpose of receiving returns of real estate, personal property, and poll taxes for the fiscal year commencing January 1st, 1910.

Tindalls, Tuesday, Jan. 4th.  
Privateer, (Jenkins' store,) Wednesday, Jan. 5th.  
Manchester, Levi's, Thursday, Jan. 6th.

Wedgfield, Friday, Jan. 7th.  
Claremont Depot, Monday, Jan. 10th.

Hagood, Tuesday, Jan. 11th.  
Remberts, Wednesday, Jan. 12th.  
Dalzell, Thursday, Jan. 13th.  
W. T. Brogdon's Store, Friday, Jan. 14th.

Mayesville, Tuesday, Jan. 18th.  
Shiloh, Wednesday, Jan. 19th.  
Norwood's X Roads, Thursday, Jan. 20th.

Oswego, Friday, Jan. 21st.  
All persons whose duty it is to make returns should be prompt to meet me at these appointments. All returns must be made before Feb. 20th, 1910.

J. DIGGS WILDER,  
Auditor for Sumter Co.  
1-2-8-12-10

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